2018 - Minutes of April 9, 23, 30 Meetings

Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes April 9, 2018

6:30 PM: Open Meeting

Quorum present: Peter Skorput (PS), Chair; Curt Wilton (CW); Bernie Fallon (BF). Also present: AdminAsst Mark Webber (AA). Press present: Local Yokel.

Board reviews and approves previous meeting minutes. Board reviews and approves warrants.

7:17 PM: National Grid representative is present for a utility pole hearing. PS notes that abutters to the proposed installation of 2 utility poles on Maple Hill Road have been notified and that no abutters are present for the hearing. National Grid representative states that the utility poles are needed to provide services to a new home to be built. CW, after confirming that the utility poles will be placed so as to not impede road and drainage maintenance, makes a motion to approve the application. PS seconds the motion. Vote taken, 3-0 in favor. In response to the Board's request, National Grid representative agrees to pressure Verizon to remove specific utility poles no longer in service, specifically one on main street which was just replaced. Under the new rules, National Grid is responsible for installing poles and Verizon is responsible to removing no longer used poles.

Other Business/Discussion/Action Items:

- In response to a request to install a system in the Town Hall hallways to hang paintings and displays, PS states that he contacted the State Fire Marshall and was told that the Fire Marshall voiced safety and fire code concerns. This opinion was previously shared by the Town's building inspector. So, a different plan will have to be pursued to allow for local artist's displays.
- Joe Roy, representing the West Stockbridge Village Association, discusses possibilities on updating and replacing signage in Town which promotes both the Town and its merchants. Following a discussion, it is decided that the Association should form a sub-committee of its members, have the sub-committee officially appointed by the Town Moderator, then vote officers of that committee and come back to the Board with specifics requests and associated costs. The Board supports the general idea and pledge to investigate funding sources for the project. Board thanks Joe for attending.
- Based on the review and recommendation of the Cable TV Commission, Board approves a vendor proposal to purchase and install local access channel TV equipment for the purpose of taping and showing town Board meetings and events.
- No takers on Citizen Speak time.
- 8:10 PM: There being no additional business to come before the Board, BF makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. CW seconds the motion. Vote taken, 3-0 in favor.

Meeting minutes approved by:

Peter Skorput, Chair

Curt Wilton

Bernie Fallon

Date: ____